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NITCHMAN NAMED NEW FOOTBALL COACH COLLEGE HOLIDAY NEXT WEEK-END

Grand Ball Will Hear Music Of Harder Downing's Continentals

Harder Downing and his Continentals will furnish the "sweet and swing" for the grand ball of College Holiday, which will be held from 9:00 to 2:00 on Friday, April 25th. This sensational band has been featured at many big college dances and has always been acclaimed a huge success.

Downing, well known in music circles, has played the trumpet with such famous bands as Glenn Miller's and Tommy Reynolds'. His own band, the Continentals, is composed of equally fine musicians. They have a large selection of special arrangements of both hot and slow music.

The vocals are handled by a talented baritone, Vic Edmunds, who has had extensive radio experience, and by a girl singer whose name has not yet been announced. Downing carries with the band a young colored pianist and singer, Ernie Washington. He is featured in several numbers, and has always proved a trump card wherever the band has played.

Among the colleges at which Harder Downing and his Continentals (Please turn to page 3)

Colby To Be Host To Buyers' Group

Members To Discuss Housing And Feeding

From approximately ten A. M. to four P. M. on April twenty-second, Colby will be host to the Maine meeting of the Educational Buyers Association. Representatives from the four Maine colleges, and from several Maine normal schools which are also members of the association will attend the meeting.

The meeting is of special interest to purchasing agents, financial and business officers, superintendents of grounds and buildings, and to those people who are responsible for feeding and housing students since it is the purpose of the meeting to discuss problems which confront the aforementioned members of a school's personnel.

The Alumnae Building is to be the meeting place of the organization. A detailed program has been planned which begins at ten A. M. with a talk and pictures of Mayflower Hill, with a trip to the Hill scheduled at eleven. (Please turn to page 6)

Marcel Hubert, Brilliant French 'Cellist Closes Annual Concert Series Tonight

Tonight at 8:15 in the Waterville High School Auditorium, the brilliant French cellist Marcel Hubert will appear under the auspices of the Waterville Cooperative Concert Association and the Colby Concert Board. M. Hubert has won acclaim on both sides of the Atlantic as a recitalist and as soloist with orchestra. The spell of his beautiful tone and unexcelled artistry has been exerted over many audiences in Europe, Canada, and the United States.

This evening's program includes Beethoven's "Sonata in C Major," a toccata by Fresco Baldi, one of Chopin's nocturnes, Beethoven's "Symphonic Variations," and a group of moderns.

Hardy Books Arrive Safely From England

First Editions Of Maine Authors Notably Augmented

Germany's tight submarine blockade on English shipping did not interfere with the arrival from England of three new additions to the Colby Library collection of Thomas Hardy books. These books, part of the Rebekah Owen Hardy Collection, were (Please turn to page 6)

Colby Representative Awarded Second Prize

Sidney J. Rauch Wins In Oratorical Contest

Thursday last, representatives of the four Maine colleges met at Bowdoin in the Maine Oratorical Contest sponsored by the Intercollegiate Peace Association. The Colby representative, Sidney J. Rauch, was adjudged winner of the second prize with his "A Constructive Plan for World Peace."

Winner of the first prize was Harriet White of Bates, who spoke on "The People—Yes." Delegates of Maine and Bowdoin took third and fourth place respectively.

The contest was presided over by President Kenneth C. Sills of Bowdoin. Those who judged were Sidney Thaxter, Associate Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court; Howard Bradley, Professor of Public Speaking at Dartmouth; and Mrs. John Healy of Westbrook Junior College.

Suffrage Extended

Extra—extra! Suffrage extended to include women! This year both men and women may vote for the queen of College Holiday and her attendants. This is renewing the custom of previous years.

As another innovation, the queen and attendants will be given free bids to College Holiday. The attendants of the queen will each receive a small gift from her at the time of the coronation.

Aristotle Salutes Queen Huskie I

The following salutation was sent yesterday to the new mascot of Northeastern University from the Colby White Mule.

Mascot Plenipotentiary and Ambassador Without Portfolio of the Principality of COLBY COLLEGE to QUEEN HUSKIE I of

the sovereignty of Northeastern upon her coronation date, Greetings:

May your rule be felicitous and happy. May your citizens win many ball games. But if you bark at me, I'll show you my heels.

Signed and sealed in the domain of Colby, borough of Waterville, Duchy of Maine, this fifteenth day of April, in the Year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and forty one, and of Colby College, one hundred and twenty three.

—Aristotle.

CLASS SCHEDULE FOR THE FORENOON OF MONDAY, APRIL 21

First period: 8:00-8:45.

Second period: 8:55-9:40.

Third period: 9:50-10:35.

Fourth period: 10:45-11:30.

Joint assembly at 11:40 in the Alumnae Building.

Elmer C. Warren, Registrar.

Student Board Endorses Petition

Unanimously Approved Exemption For Seniors

The Student Governing Board of Colby College has unanimously approved and endorsed the petition which would exempt seniors from taking final examinations in those subjects in which they have attained a rank of 85% or better.

Norris Dibble is the student representative for the petition, and a committee has been chosen for presenting the plan to the faculty.

If the faculty should approve, the plan would probably become effective this June.

Pacifist Conference Takes Place This Week

John C. Stevens Sent To Represent Colby

John C. Stevens, '42, will represent Colby at a pacifist conference of twenty college students selected from New England colleges to be held on the Packard Estate in Stoughton, Mass., on April 18th, 19th and 20th.

A. J. Munro, ex-secretary of the Fellowship of Reconciliation, and Richard Gregg, author of "The Power of Non-Violence," will be the leaders of the conference. The program will be devoted to an analysis of the pacifist's contribution in a time of war, the development of non-violent direction action in America, and possible summer projects as plans of immediate action.

Union College Mentor For Five Years Selected To Succeed Al McCoy

By Dick Reid

Forty-eight hours after the appointment of Nelson Nitchman as the new coach of football at Colby, there is little doubt around the campus that the new coach will be one of the most popular mentors to ever handle a sport at Colby. His pleasing personality and enthusiasm made a great impression on all those who met him last Friday. At present no plans for spring practice have been forthcoming from the front office, but most of Nitchman's system is similar to that of former Coach McCoy. He will probably come to the college in the near future to arrange his plans.

Drive For Funds Now Under Way

Over \$87,000 Donated Last Year By Graduates

A total of \$87,106.26 was given to Colby College by the alumni and alumnae of the college during the school year ending last July, according to figures published this week by G. Cecil Goddard, Alumni Secretary, and Mrs. Ervena Goodale Smith, Alumnae Secretary.

Of this total, \$55,845.94 was paid by Colby men and women towards the construction expenses of the Roberts Memorial Union and the Women's Union buildings on Mayflower Hill. In addition, regular annual gifts to the college through the Alumni and Alumnae Funds for unrestricted purposes amounted to \$6,260.34, an increase of \$223.01 over the preceding year. A bequest of \$25,000 from the late Hugh R. Chaplin, '79, of Bangor, is included in the total.

The drive for funds this year is now under way and receipts, according to the Alumni Office, are substantially above those of last year at this time, both in dollars and in numbers of contributors.

Terming the Alumni and Alumnae Funds Colby's "anchor to windward," President Franklin W. Johnson stated that these contributions will help to meet the uncertainties of next year, caused by diminishing rates of return from endowment and the possible decreases in student registration, due to military and industrial defense calls upon America's young manpower.

Senior Placements Announced By Warren

Liberty Mutual, Filene's Take Many Graduates

Although many of Colby's seniors have yet to make their final decision as to their work after graduation, several have already been placed.

William Filene's of Boston has recruited members of both men's and women's division. Ronald Wallace, and Edward Quarrington have already been informed of their acceptance. Barbara Skeehan, Elizabeth Sweetser, Helen Sanbar, and Barbara Partridge are also all definitely slated for Filene's.

Liberty Mutual Insurance Company of Boston expects to have several Colby graduates on its staff. Vernelle Dyer and Lloyd Gooch will definitely work with the company. Among the women who have been placed with Liberty Mutual are Prudence Piper, Katherine Glazier, Dorothy Emerson and Alta Gray.

George Stumpff plans to work for the General Motors Company in Bristol, Conn. Joseph Crotonu has been accepted at the McGill Medical School. The General Electric Company has enlisted Maurice Rimpo, and Warren Mills. Alfred Brown has enlisted in the Naval Aviation Reserve to enter Squantum.

The new coach will be leaving his native city of Schenectady, N. Y., for the first time permanently. He was born there 33 years ago, attended school there, then matriculated at Union College, and has since been coach at Union. In college he was a football, basketball, and baseball star. Entered with the class of 1930, he was enough of a halfback to be named on three all-opponent teams in his senior year, and was also elected honorary president of the senior class society. After graduation he went into private business, but returned to his alma mater after eleven months to serve as freshman coach in three sports.

For four or five seasons his freshman football teams were undefeated. In basketball he was freshman coach for one year, and was then promoted to the post of assistant to Coach Hammond. He held freshman baseball for two seasons, but after his appointment as coach of the football team (Please turn to page 2)

World Authority Is Last Lecturer

Foreign Correspondent Speaks At High School

The final lecture in this year's Colby Lecture Course will be held on Monday evening, April 21, 8 o'clock, in the High School Auditorium. For this lecture, the committee has secured Wallace Rankin Deuel, a foreign newspaper correspondent whose war reports have received international reading.

Mr. Deuel probably knows more about Adolf Hitler and what is really going on inside Nazi dominated Europe than any other man on this side of the Atlantic. At the beginning of Hitler's rise to power, Mr. Deuel was covering Berlin for the Chicago Daily News and he remained at his post until near the close of the year 1940. His dispatches contained what most authorities on international affairs believe to be the best analysis of the Nazi social structure and war aims to come out of Germany.

This world-famous correspondent was in the very midst of the carnage that followed Hitler's attempt at conquering the Low Countries. Deuel says that the most dramatic episode he witnessed was not the fall of Dunkerque, but the burning of Warsaw. The most significant, he feels, was the Munich conference where Chamberlain so tragically thought he had guaranteed peace for our time.

Mr. Deuel was born in Chicago 35 years ago and was educated at the University of Illinois. He is married and has two sons, and they live in Westport, Conn. He is still employed on the Chicago Daily News but has been given a short leave of absence.

The subject of his address will be "The World Counter-Revolution." It is Mr. Deuel's idea that the carrying out of the Hitler program involves the destruction of the liberties of both individual human beings and entire human peoples and societies, and as this is a reverse of the whole process of history, he regards it as a counter-revolution.

Colby Pastimers To Open Season Against Bowdoin And Maine Nines

Roundymen Are Slight Favorites In Openers

Hegan Will Pitch Against Bowdoin; Slattery At Maine

Opening the defense of another state championship, Coach Ed Roundy's nine meets the Bowdoin Polar Bear on Seaverns Field next Friday afternoon.

The starting battery for the Mules will find Downie receiving the slants of Hegan with Slattery probably sharing the hurling duties. The sacks will be covered by Peters at first, LaFleur at second, and Livingston at third, while Laliberty will start at short. Though quite a battle has developed for the field posts, Stillwell, Loring, and Slattery will have the starting assignments.

Bowdoin is more or less of a dark horse, mainly because of its hurling strength. The starting battery will probably be Coombs behind the plate, and Hunter on the mound with Patterson standing ready for relief duty. The infield is definitely set with Small at first, Harding at second, Dolan at short, and Captain Bonzagni at the hot corner. Bell, Dyer, and Martin are expected to get the call over Stephens, Briggs and Bubier for the field positions.

Endowed with an excellent pitching staff, Colby's strength is still a question. Though the state baseball race shapes up as a tight affair, the Mules have an excellent chance to repeat if they can muster enough guns to match the series teams.

Colby will meet its second state opponent in two days when the Mules journey to Orono to meet an untried Maine nine Saturday.

The blue and gray hitting power will be really put to test here when the Mules face All-New England Sam Mann on the mound. Receiving Mann will be either Ward or Downes. First base is as yet undecided but Bower, Whitten, and Crowley compose the rest of the infield. The outfield is a bit uncertain with Whitten and Healy threatening to break into the trio of Meserve, French, and Blake.

Coach Roundy has not set his starting pitcher for this game, but if Slattery doesn't see much work against Bowdoin, he'll be in there. Otherwise, Cross or Blanchard will get the call.

Nelson Nitchman Named As Coach

(Continued from page 1)
pointment as head coach of varsity basketball in 1934, he gave it up. So great was his success with the courtmen that he was appointed head coach of football in 1936. He has held these two posts ever since. In football his teams have done very well. His 1939 edition was the first undefeated eleven at Union in 25 years. That team was led by Captain Sam Hammerstrom, high scorer in the East and chosen the most valuable Little All-American player. Nitchman is married, but has no children. His wife is a teacher in Schenectady. He is 5 feet 9 inches tall and weighs about 165 pounds.

Following are the statements of the leading men connected with the choice of the new coach:

President Franklin W. Johnson—"Mr. Nitchman has been chosen after a systematic examination of a field of some 125 candidates. In the opinion

Colby Tracksters Prep For Meets

Bateman Strengthens Team; Daggett And Peters Available

With spring weather prevailing and green grass appearing everywhere, track candidates have abandoned the musty atmosphere of the field house and are again filling their lungs with pure life-giving air. As good weather arrived ahead of schedule, an opportunity for early workouts was welcomed by Coach Perkins.

April 26 will see the Colby forces entertained in Boston by M. I. T. From advance notices the team shapes up as follows: Strong in the sprints, hurdles, and weights; very strong in the jumps when Daggett and Peters, who are out for baseball, are available, and fair in the distances.

The complete picture is: in the sprints, Goffin, 100, Fifield, 220, Murphy and Flynn; Bates 220 and 440; Nickerson, McRae, and Moriarty, 800; mile, Quincy and Weeks; two mile, Quincy and Farnsworth; high hurdles, Pratt and Hildebrandt; low hurdles, Hildebrandt and Pratt; shot put, Lebednic and Helin; discus, Lebednic; hammer, Lebednic, who has developed a new form, Bedo and Belliveau; javelin, Bubar, Blattman, McDonald, Daly and DeNazario; broad jump, Daggett, Goffin, Fifield, Murphy, Shoenberger, MacNamee; high jump, MacNamee, DeNazario; pole vault, Captain Thompson, DeNazario and MacNamee.

When the baseball schedule permits, Daggett and Peters will strengthen the pole vaulting and high jumping respectively. The above list is named in the order of the merits of the individual performer.

of the Colby Athletic Council, composed of alumni, faculty and student members he was the best qualified of all the applicants. He has been a successful coach at a good college and comes highly recommended by all who have had contact with him. I am confident that the Colby team will have another good season next fall under Coach Nitchman."

Athletic Director G. F. Loeb—"I am happy that Mr. Nitchman has accepted the appointment offered him by President Johnson, for I feel that he will bring to the Colby football program and to the college life of our campus a genuine enthusiasm and interest in every student. As soon as possible we will arrange for spring practice so that Coach Nitchman can become acquainted with the prospective candidates of his first Colby team, and also so that he can meet our entire college family."

Professor Lester F. Weeks, member of the Athletic Council—"In making our choice the Athletic Council was guided by the fact that we needed a coach who would also be a 'coach plus.' I feel that we have succeeded in getting a man who has a fine coaching record, who brings an enthusiasm for the game, and who possesses those additional qualities of character and personality which will make him a desirable addition to the Colby community."

John W. Daggett, captain of the 1940 team and member of the student Athletic Council—"I feel sure that Mr. Nitchman will work in close coordination with the boys and insure a close harmony of thought and action. His style of play at Union is similar to that used at Colby in recent years, and therefore the transition will be simple and effective. The

Varsity Netmen Big Questionmark

Capt. Dyer And Chas. Lord To Form Nucleus For Team

On the same basketball floor in the field house which so recently has been the scene of many victorious games, Colby's tennis candidates have broken out rackets, which have long been in presses, and have practiced every form of shot and serve for the last two weeks.

Although Captain Dyer and Lord are the only letter-men left from last year, the problem of grooming four other candidates does not appear to be too acute. Dyer and Lord form the nucleus of the squad with Dibble and Fizzano sure of two berths, while the other two spots are in doubt with Kohn, Alexander, and Field doing their best to place.

If the weather continues along its present path, the racket boys may have a chance of practicing out of doors this week-end. Their first match is against Tufts College on May 2 and a match against New Hampshire on the 3rd. Both matches will be played here.

As no southern trip was scheduled this year, it handicapped the team in that the other teams of the state will have more practice in their strings. Bowdoin had a southern tour and Maine starts its season the 23rd of this month. The championship of the state will be decided this year by the number of dual meets won during the season, discarding the usual tournament.

MULE KICKS

by
DICK REID

Well, now that the coaching situation is settled, we can climb off our suspense seats and mount the Nels Nitchman bandwagon. The pleasant man who is our new mentor will probably come, "to college" in about two weeks for spring practice. He is inheriting a wealth of material from last season and seems to have a bright future.

A recent article released by the Bowdoin track team stated that they had extremely gloomy prospects for the coming season, since so many men were either out for baseball or unavailable. But the catch comes after this statement, when the story goes on to give a list of performers that make Colby's squad look like a one man team. What would they be with everyone available?

Golf prospects at Middlebury are extremely bright this season with five veterans and three good prospects working out. The Panthers were able to take to the links last Saturday under the fine skies that prevail all over New England. Captain of the team is Donald E. Chapman.

Golf and tennis schedules recently released at University of Maine show a trip to southern New England for both squads at the same time as the enthusiasm of Mr. Nitchman and that of Captain Eero Helin, with the co-operation of the other members of the squad will, I feel, contribute to a most successful season next fall."

Captain Eero Helin—"Speaking in the interests of next year's football team, I am very pleased to learn that Mr. Nelson Nitchman has been appointed as our new coach. I am sure that he is the ideal man to extend the success characteristic of past Colby teams. I know that he will receive the support of the entire Colby family in his new assignment, for his winning smile and genuine enthusiasm which he exemplified in his recent visit will be a hard combination to beat."

Edward F. Loring, All-Maine center and member of the Athletic Council—"The first thing that impressed me about Coach Nitchman was the fact that he was not on the field five minutes before he was with the boys talking plays and teamwork. I look for a successful season under his guidance."

Sports Editorial

By A Student

At the outset, let it be understood that this article is neither the result of one person's opinions, or an attack directed against any one individual. It is, on the contrary, based on the feelings of many undergraduate men who honestly believe that some sort of reform is necessary in the Department of Physical Education. For several years the ECHO has carried letters to the editor complaining of the inefficiency and neglect shown of the intra-mural physical education program at Colby. These have always represented isolated cases, while this article is a result of a careful survey of student opinion.

As a result of this survey, many common grievances and complaints have come to light. In particular, there are three main causes for complaint. They are:

1. That the intra-mural gym classes are sloppily run, with little or no real benefit or instruction obtained.
2. That many things that could be done to further intra-mural athletic interest are often promised but never done.
3. That so much emphasis is placed on Varsity athletics and athletes, that the average fellow is often neglected.

There are others, but these three were in the large majority. I want to take them up one by one.

First, the charge that the gym classes are sloppily run. This is undoubtedly true of many of the morning classes, and was most bitterly complained of. Many boys feel that it is all a waste of time because of the small value received from these groups. One way to remedy this would be to hold classes twice a week instead of three times, and to hold them in the early afternoons for an hour and a half instead of the crowded morning periods.

Secondly, the charge that there are many good intentions, but no results. Freshmen spoke of the Friday afternoon periods which were discontinued after two or three months. They all agreed that the original plan was excellent—to have coaches and doctors lecture on worthwhile subjects—and they all seemed to want them to continue. Instead, they sometimes carried bleacher seats, swept the stadium, or sundry other jobs. Others brought up the tennis court problem, which grows yearly worse. Although the weather has much to do with this situation, as one boy pointed out, the women's courts were always ready on time both in the spring and in the fall. And it is true that the tennis team has had to practice on the girls courts many times, because the campus courts were in bad shape.

The third charge of over-emphasis on Varsity athletics is undoubtedly true as it is at many colleges. Of course we all want winning Colby teams, and to get them requires much time in coaching them. But many of the boys feel that more attention could be placed on the average student without taking any from the Varsity squads. This added interest in the every day athlete might be in the form of better gym classes, inter-dorm competition for freshmen, sponsoring golf, tennis and skiing instruction.

To sum it all up, many men at Colby feel that there is plenty of room for improvement along these lines in the Department of Physical Education.

ball club. Coach G. W. Small will take his tennis team to New Hampshire next Wednesday, then go to B. U., R. I., and Conn., in a row. The golfers will join the team at B. U. and finish the trip in the same manner.

Bates will hold its annual inter-class track meet on Saturday afternoon and then meet Bowdoin on the following Saturday at Bates. All four teams will be in action on the latter date, April 26, with Colby going to Cambridge to meet M. I. T., and Maine opposing New Hampshire at Durham. This should give the experts plenty of comparisons for the state meet here on May 10.

The state of Maine football situation has a decided "foreign" tinge in the coaching department with all four mentors from outside New England. But the calibre is so high that another grand series is in prospect for next fall. Ducky Pond, new Bates' coach, is a smart man with a never-say-die attitude. It was the writer's good fortune to see one of his great under dog teams play Harvard to a standstill most of the afternoon in 1937. That team was well drilled and as scrappy a team as ever took the field. Probably the highlight of his career was the Princeton game in 1934, when he filled eleven men with enough Pond spirit to defeat the powerhouse Tigers, 7-0, by playing all the way. Larry Kelley and Clint Frank are example of the type of boy he has produced in New Haven. We

wish him all good luck until November 11.

This week sees the start of the 1941 baseball season in Maine with Colby, Bowdoin, and Maine playing and Bates staging a squad game on Saturday. Pitching is the question at Maine, Bates, and Bowdoin. Although predictions of a winner are usually in order at this time of year, we leave everyone to toss his own coin.

W. A. A News

The W. A. A. is now discussing the possibility of joining the National Archery Association this spring. This would necessitate student tournaments, resulting in a new added interest in archery.

Marilyn Bragdon has been elected publicity manager of the W. A. A.

Heads up, chins in, girls! The posture campaign is still going on, and unknown judges are lurking in every corner to catch you in your unaware moments. The results are not yet definite, and it still isn't too late, to join the ranks.

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Here's the story. If you buy a bid for the entire week-end you'll get in free, just bring the bid along and show it at the door. If you are not planning to go to the whole affair, the price will be thirty-five cents apiece. And cheap enough too, for you are guaranteed the most amazing show ever to be presented at Colby.

Did you know, for instance, that you will see the only ALL-GIRL ORCHESTRA, or perhaps I should say ALL-CO-ED ORCHESTRA ever gotten up at Colby? This noble outfit, made up of some of the comlier coeds, will hold forth for your entertainment. The straight music will be provided by Jimmy Springer and His White Mules, and they will also supply the music for the dance which follows the show. Another feature, and a sure-fire hit, will be the male dancing chorus. This novel act will feature "Kokie" Cohen and "Huck" Kraft with a snappy bunch of Tau Delta chorus girls (!).

Of course the One Hour Broadcast over the Maine Broadcasting System will be a part of the hilarity. The whole thing is being written by the students... even some of the songs will be Colby products. The entire show is under the direction of Ollie Millett and his "Colby at the Mike" crew, with special dialogue being written by Ray Burbank, Jack Stevens, Charlie Chapman, Amy Lewis, and a host of others. The music, and mighty smooth too, has been written by Hal Polis and Bob Alexander, and will be rendered vocally by Ginny Duggan and Bud De-cormier.

All in all it's a Colby show for Colby kids, there are cracks about the college, the students and there are a few surprises in store for you too. Remember, Thursday night at 8 o'clock in the Alumnae Building... Free admission if you have a College Holiday Bid, otherwise thirty-five cents apiece.

Choral Groups Sing At Easter Service

Under the auspices of the Student Christian Association, the Colby Choir, and the Colby Chorus, the Colby College Easter Choral Vesper Service was held in the First Congregational Church, Sunday afternoon at four.

The program consisted of the Mass in F Major (K-102) by Mozart, congregational singing: "Christ Lay by Death Enshrouded," with words by Luther, melody by Walther, and harmonization by Bach, and Cantata No. 4 (Christ lag in Todesbanden) by J. S. Bach.

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Women's Division Install Officers

Susanne Rose, Marjorie Cate Head Respective Groups

The newly elected officers of Student's League and Women's Athletic Association were installed Tuesday evening in the chapel at a meeting of Student's League. Ada Vinecour, retiring president of W. A. A., installed the new officers of that organization who are as follows: President, Susanne Rose; vice president, Elizabeth Tobey; and secretary-treasurer, Alice Katkauskas.

The retiring president of Student's League, Prudence Piper, then inducted the League officers for next year: President, Marjorie Cate; vice presidents, Elizabeth Field and Marjorie McDougal; secretary, Elizabeth Wood; and treasurer, Ann Jones.

Dean Ninetta M. Runnals impressively spoke on the significance of the responsibilities of the new officers, comparing them to sieves and ministers.

At the conclusion of the meeting Miss Piper was presented with a gift and a bouquet of spring flowers from the women students in appreciation of her faithful service the past year. The Alma Mater was then sung, accompanied by Ada Vinecour.

Miss Cate, new president of Students' League, has had two years of valuable experience in student government, having been class representative her sophomore year, and a vice president this year. She is also recording secretary of Delta Delta Delta, and is a member of the French club.

Miss Rose, head of the W. A. A., was junior class representative this year, and was awarded her letter last year. She is president of the junior class and vice president of Delta Delta Delta.

Other Student's League positions filled at the election held last Friday are as follows: Hall president, Margaret Campbell; editor of the Hand-book, Ruby Lott, and chairman of the reading room committee, Helen Henry.

S. C. A. News

The student body extends its sympathy to Professor Herbert L. Newman on the death of his father, Thomas W. Newman of South Levant, Maine, Tuesday. The funeral will be held in South Levant, Thursday.

Conference.

The Maine Student Christian Movement conference has been scheduled for May 2, 3, and 4, at the Bailey Homestead in Winthrop. This is an annual event at which plans are laid for the coming year and programs of the Maine colleges and normal schools are correlated.

Peace.

George Snyder, assistant secretary of the Youth Committee Against War, not to be confused with the National Youth Congress with which the Y. C. A. W. has no connection, will be present on campus over this coming week-end.

Saturday evening Mr. Snyder will meet with a large group of the S. C. A. at the home of a professor, while on Sunday morning he will be extended a fellowship breakfast with the peace commission. Sunday afternoon at 2:00 he will meet with the program committee of the S. C. A. Peace Commission.

Mr. Snyder comes to Colby from Bates and is making a tour of all the New England colleges.

Presidents' Boat Trip

President-elect Harold Bubar, '42, will leave Colby Thursday for the annual presidents' boat trip sponsored by the N. E. S. C. M. for newly-elected S. C. A. presidents and Y. M. and Y. W. C. A. presidents in the New England colleges. The group embarks at Boston and sails down the coast to New York holding daily programs in leadership training on board. The trip will extend from April 18th through the 21st.

Installation Service.

The newly-elected S. C. A. execu-

Dr. Neugebauer Talks To Library Associates

Announcement Is Made Of Annual Book Contest

On Thursday evening, April 10, the Colby Library Associates had the honor of being addressed by Professor Otto Neugebauer of Brown University.

Dr. Neugebauer, who has been in this country since 1938, spoke on "The Role of Mathematics in the History of Culture." He traced mathematics back to the time of the Egyptians, and showed how the architecture of the ancients involved mathematics. Professor Neugebauer is highly respected as an expert in the field of mathematics, and much of his work has been published.

Professor Strong, chairman at the meeting, announced that there is a book prize offered by the Colby Library Associates to that senior who has assembled, during his or her four years in college, the best collection of books. The merit of the collection will be judged on its value to the needs of that particular student rather than on its monetary value.

Camera Club Studies Methods Of Design

Plans Made For Annual Outing To Bar Harbor

Friday evening last in the Math room, Chemical Hall, the Camera Club met and discussed methods of artistic design in taking pictures.

Supplementing the discussion, Mr. Joseph C. Smith, the class instructor, gave an illustrated lecture on how to line up the objects in the proposed photograph. The following information will be of interest to even those who are not rabid camera fans, to those who merely like to perpetuate a bit of nature on a photograph.

Mr. Smith drew a pattern of landscapes on a blackboard. He then placed an empty picture frame over the pattern, blocking out different objects of the landscape to explain that the point of interest in a picture is not the center, but is two-thirds from either side.

Included in the explanation was the interesting fact that psychologically the best shapes for a photograph are circles, triangles, "I" shapes, and "S" shapes.

After the meeting, plans were discussed for the annual Bar Harbor outing. Tentative dates were set for Saturday and Sunday, May 17 and 18.

COLLEGE HOLIDAY

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have been favored are Colgate, Cornell, St. Lawrence, Syracuse, Hamilton, Mount Holyoke, Amherst, Wesleyan, Dartmouth, and Williams.

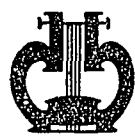
During the ball the coronation of the queen will take place. She and her attendants will reign over the succeeding festivities.

Patrons for the ball will be as follows: Mr. and Mrs. John Franklin McCoy, Dr. and Mrs. Arthur Galen Eustis, Dr. and Mrs. Henry Webster Applington, and Miss Sally Sherburne.

The fraternity chasers, which are the customary happy ending to the College Holiday Week-end, will take place on Saturday night, April 20th. Each fraternity will hold open house, the couples progressing from house to house.

Bids to College Holiday cost \$4.00. The committee in charge of arrangements consists of the following: Albert Rimosukas, chairman; Harold Paul, patrons; Clare Donahue, and Harris Graf, decorations; Sue Rose and Anne Foster, bids, awards, and queen arrangements; Ollie Millett and John Stevens, varsity show; Elizabeth Field, flowers; and John Turner, publicity.

A five committee for 1941-42 will be installed at the Wednesday chapel service, April 23rd. The program has not as yet been released but will continue in the form of past installations in its impressiveness.



YOUR HIT PARADE



Bob Kahn and many others have asked us to make this week's column a strictly request program for current specials. Sooooo, here are those ten most popular songs which are tops at Colby for Easter Week—reading backwards as usual:

No. 10. There's no doubt about it, according to Eddie Principe and Jake Pomeroy. "Dolores" gets the call. These boys dedicate it to the girls in the Boutelle House.

No. 9. "Along The Santa Fe Trail" is pulling way up on its own right now in Spring time, although it was introduced last year. (Dedicated to Johnny Turner who, incidentally, just "hurried back from Sorrento").

No. 8. That certain Aroostookrat—Sherman MacPherson—claims he's got a new boogie woogie special, "Slash Me Barber, With A Razor Blade." Personally, we've never heard of it; but you've all heard Artie Shaw's "There'll Be Some Changes Made," which takes the eighth position.

No. 7. Alden "Ripper" Ridley bids for the tune which has shown amazing progress these past few weeks. Rip dedicates "Nighty-Night" to Miss Dot Holtman.

No. 6. Wendell Francis Phillips, Jr. ("Just Call Me Bud") calls for "Oh, Look At Me Now." 'S quite the song.

No. 5. George Godfrey requests that beautiful number, "Walking By The River."

No. 4. "Whatcha Knoe Joe," Spina whispers out his favorite for this week, and requests "The Wise Old Owl" for Thomas Q. Norton.

No. 3. Well, here's the top three tunes. Charlie Pinansky requests "It All Comes Back To Me Now."

No. 2. That beautiful bolero-fox trot Perfidia grabs off the second spot. (Requested by Bud McKay for roomie Ray Verrengia who dedicated a tune to Budsie last week).

No. 1. Way out in the lead is Jimmy Dorsey's "Amapola" which Alec Dembkowski—ace Colby jitterbug champ material—thinks will be on top for some time to come.

Suggestions:

John "Romeo" Moses gives us a tip on that beautiful ballad, "In Apple Blossom Time;" and Harris Graf tells us to keep an ear open for "Java Jive." Hope we'll be hearing more of these songs.

Musically yours,
Jimmy Springer.

The Broadway Scene

THE BROADWAY SCENE

By Emanuel K. Frucht

"The Corn is Green"—Seldom in the past few years has Broadway been blessed with a play and a cast of such uniform excellence as is to be found in the present production of "The Corn is Green." Ethel Barrymore, after portraying women whose ages hovered about the century-mark, give one of her greatest performances in the role of a teacher, aged only 60. She is absolutely perfect in the role. Her speech, motions and stage mannerisms combine to create a performance that will long be remembered by our modern generation of playgoers.

The play, itself, is concerned with the attempts of a well-meaning teacher, played by Miss Barrymore, to teach the ignorant miners of Wales to read, write and think as intelligent human beings. Her attempt to carry out this program are beset by local prejudices and customs which maintained that education was only for the rich and would only be useless and foolish for the poor. Overcoming all obstacles and handicaps, she perseveres to the end and finally is rewarded by seeing one of her students win a scholarship at Oxford. Her fondest dreams were now realized as she could proudly look back upon her work and effort of the past two years as not having been done in vain.

A fine supporting cast rounds out this well-written and well-directed production. But, no matter how you look at it, the honors rightfully go to Miss Barrymore. Take it away, Ethel!

"My Sister Eileen"—This is a nice well-meaning comedy based upon the stories of Ruth McKenny. It is concerned with the adventures and activities of two sisters, Ruth and Eileen, who left their home in Ohio and came to New York in search of fame and fortune. Their life in Greenwich Village provides the basis of a comedy which New Yorkers have been raving about since its opening a few months ago. It is a good show, quite funny in spots, but on the whole, it seems to me that it is nothing unusual. One of the most glaring defects of the play lies in its unusually poor ending, an ending which

leaves the audience still expecting to see more of the show. Instead, the curtain falls and the show is over and that's that. We wouldn't recommend it when there are so many superior shows on Broadway and yet we wouldn't discourage anyone from seeing it.

"Separate Rooms"—It is a great wonder to me how this play has managed to reach its second year. But, with "Tobacco Road" now in its eighth year, wonders will never cease. Boasting three Hollywood stars—Alan Dinehart, Glenda Farrell and Lyle Talbot—it is probably drawing most of its attraction from the presence of this trio in the cast. The plot is another of the hackneyed and by now slightly boring marriage farce situation involving the above-mentioned three in many complicated and sometimes embarrassing situations. The best line in the play was the takeoff—"Time wounds all heels," but we rather doubt that time heals the stars of disjointed plays.

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Spring Fever . . .

Once again, a chronic epidemic has now reached its yearly crisis. This year, however, spring fever has struck with more ferocity than ever. The mortality rate will go even higher as long as the present weather continues.

The disease has everything in its favor; hardly one inclement day has greeted students still only two weeks fresh from vacation. The symptoms are prevalent everywhere. The exhilarated eight A. M., feeling that spring is here turns to a wistful longing out of the window about eleven. Those fortunates without afternoon laboratories or classes are lulled into the traditional afternoon nap. When sluggishness and insipidity do not dominate, the ball fields, tennis courts, and the golf course are crowded. Restlessness and shifting permeate the library. "Downstairs for a smoke" has greatly increased student cigarette consumption. On one of our fine evenings, the sound of fire engines going in the direction of Fairfield swept out like a broom about one-fourth of those in the library.

Nothing has been said about any remedies which might stem the tide of spring fever. If the weather does not change, perhaps the great batch of examinations coming up in the near future may provide an efficient, if artificial stimulant.

—G. A. G.

Varsity Show . . .

With the new type of varsity show which will start off College Holiday Week-end, there may be the beginning of a traditional form of student entertainment. There have been Varsity Shows in previous years, and these too have been sponsored by "Colby-at-the-Mike," but these have been limited to radio programs.

The new plan for student production of student talent is bound to have more appeal for two reasons. First of all, the show will not be presented solely as a radio program; it will be given at Alumnae Building, where a large number of the student body may attend. Secondly, it will have a much wider cross-section of student talent. At present, for example, each fraternity will offer something in the way of song, act, or burlesque. It may be relied upon that each fraternity has two or three able entertainers, and will most likely delegate these men.

One may look forward with interest to the success of the show. If it is what it should be, it will not only provide a timely feature of an important social function, but also something original to anticipate in years to come.

—G. A. G.

Deferred Rushing . . .

Every year at about this time, the question of deferred rushing comes before the Pan-Hellenic board. Women's rushing this year was carried on in a hectic three weeks at the very beginning of the college year. While there are some advantages to this system in that it gets the strain of rushing over before the academic work of the year has really started, it seems to me that the disadvantages in the confusion in the mind of both rushers and those rushing far outweigh the advantages.

Fraternity and sorority can be a great pleasure or a great disappointment and selecting the people who will be your close associates for years of college life is something that should be carefully considered, not plunged into head-long after a few weeks of concentrated rushing. There are of course, overwhelming disadvantages to sec-

ond semester rushing, but would it not be possible for a compromise to be effected, giving the freshman and the upperclassmen a little more time to make their selections carefully, and yet getting rushing over during first semester? If the final rushing parties were held shortly before Thanksgiving vacation, the objection to second semester rushing would be overcome, and the advantages of it still retained.

—A. L. L.

College Holiday . . .

In approximately one week the biggest social event of the college year will take place. This big week-end should, logically, be directed and organized by those people in college who are best fitted to plan and carry through a large scale social event. College Holiday however, is put completely in charge of the various class presidents. The class president is elected in the fall before Junior Week-end is even thought of, and certainly is not selected because of his ability to run a dance. There are in college, many people who because of interest and special ability, are fitted to plan a big week-end. Would it not be possible for the presidents of the various classes to appoint a chairman and a committee from this group to organize the dance?

In the past few years it has been necessary for the Queen and her attendants to purchase bids for the dance. This year however the committee in charge of the dance has reversed this policy.

College Holiday is the big event of the Spring season. Let's make it the best.

—A. L. L.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

(The ECHO does not necessarily agree with letters printed in this column. All letters must be addressed to the editor and signed by the writer, whose identity will be withheld and pen name used if requested. The editor reserves the right to withhold from print all or any part of communications received).

To the Editor:

Recently a petition, conceived and raised in all sincerity by the student body, was presented to the faculty only to be completely disregarded on the grounds that it wasn't presented through the proper channels—Women's Student Government and Men's Student Council. This petition asked that a plan for excusing seniors having an average of 85% in any one course from the final examination in that course be considered. We students would now like to present this petition in the accepted manner suggested by the faculty and have it thought over and voted upon, not as a mere expression of spring restlessness to be lightly dismissed, but as an expression of serious consideration.

Perhaps the wisest approach to setting forth the attributes of our petition would be an attempt at answering possible objections. In all probability the faculty would see in this scheme only more work for themselves at a time when they are habitually pressed, in any case. However, I do not think such a situation is necessary or inevitable. This might be a possibility for removing the difficulty; instead of planning to check up on the last two or three weeks' work in the finals, professors might give hour exams in each of their courses near the end of classes, allowing two or three days at the end for averages to be computed. In that way the averages would be deducted from the marks of the hour exams and those students having an average of 85% or over could be notified on the first day of the reading period. Since each student's average must be computed eventually in order to pass the semester's work, might it not be computed for the hour exams before finals? It would only be doing one step in the computing a little earlier than formerly.

Another objection might be that students need this final check-up to bring to their minds more clearly what has been covered in the semester. It seems to me that if they have forgotten the material covered in hour exams in the weeks elapsing since those hour exams were taken, the material gone over again would be retained little longer the second time. A final examination would not perform the magical task of impressing the work in a more retentive way on the student's mind.

One professor when approached upon the subject said he not only thought final examinations were absolutely necessary but he favored the adoption of comprehensive exams in every course the senior year. Such a change, I think, would be a progressive measure but it must be realized that the type of question asked in a comprehensive exam over four years' work is concerned with the development—it is the type of question in answering which the student may draw on information gained from the reading of four years. It is not the type of question to be found in typical three-hour exams demanding a specific, definite answer such as, "In Shakespeare's day what did the word 'baton' mean?" or "How many cannons were fired in the Civil War." I think the comprehensive exam system will be eventually quite universally adopted but until then might there not be a little respite in regard to the three-hour finals?

Yet another objection might be raised: professors might say that excusing students attaining an 85% average from finals would be showing undue discrimination. I fail to see this as an argument. If there are to be sunk notices and warnings for failing, is it not logical to answer there might be recognition of effort on the part of those who have made creditable records? Is not reward for the deserving a democratic ideal?

In fact I see the recognition of effort as one of the arguments for the petition. Attaining an average of 85% will become an impetus for raising marks. Everyone knows how hard it is to study concentratedly for final exams when it is so much more pleasant to be out playing tennis or swimming. The realization that careful study now will merit the exemption from one or two finals will do amazing things in skewing the bell-shaped curve of

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MEET THE FACULTY

HERBERT L. NEWMAN

To most Colby students, Professor Herbert L. Newman is far from being a stranger. As head of the Department of Religion and Director of Student Religious Activities at Colby, he has many associations with student groups, and through these associations, becomes acquainted with a large percentage of the members of the student body.

Since 1922, "Pop," as he is known to most Colbyites, has worked strenuously in building up not only a good religion department, but also in the formation and guidance of one of the strongest and best organized Student Christian Associations in New England.

Professor Newman's life story is one of hard work. He was born in Dover-Foxcroft, and, at the age of twelve, he moved to Aroostook county, near the Canadian border; his home until his graduation from college. After graduating from Danforth High School, he worked for several years in the employ of various lumber companies, and even taught school for a year. Arising at 4:30 every morning, Professor Newman would walk fourteen miles on some days in his capacity as head of a lumber buyer's interests. In the evenings, he would study Cicero in preparation for his entrance to college.

In the summer of 1914, he preached in Orient, Maine, and had another parish across the border in Canada. Entering Colby in the fall of 1914, he participated wholeheartedly in student activities. In spite of the fact that he had to work his way through college, he found time to play football, winning his "C" in his senior year, became president of the Y. M. C. A. Cabinet, of the Student Council, and of the senior class. He won numerous speaking contests, and was a member of one of the best debating teams Colby has ever produced. Numerous other activities also claimed his interest.

While "Pop" was in college, there was no department of religion or any adviser to religious activities. There were Y. W. C. A. and Y. M. C. A.

groups, which held weekly meetings on the ground floor of Champlin Hall. The entire ground floor was available for the meetings except the room now occupied by the book store. In his senior year, he was chosen sergeant of the Colby Military Company and also class orator, but was called into military service before the graduation date. He was stationed at Camp Jackson, South Carolina, in a field artillery regiment, and, because of additional skills learned at the field artillery school at Fort Zachary Taylor in Kentucky, was kept on this side to train rookies. When the armistice was signed, his commission as an executive of firing batteries in France was on its way to him, but he never got to the "other side." He was one of three men in his regiment who failed to reach France.

In 1922, President Roberts of Colby came to the Rev. Mr. Newman at Hebron, where he had accepted a pastorate following his graduation from Newton Seminary, and offered him the position of religious instructor at Colby. He said:

"It's an impossible job. I don't know how it's to be done, but you're going to do it."

"Pop" promptly refused, but—well, he has been at Colby ever since.

Professor Newman started as Professor of English Bible and Director of Religious Activities, and only one course was offered, but gradually the department was enlarged to its present capacity.

Having received the S. T. M. degree at Andover-Newton Seminary in 1927, he earned his Ph. D. degree from Boston University in 1939.

Regarding work among students, Professor Newman says:

"I have had the privilege of knowing practically every boy who has graduated here since 1915, and a good many of the girls. And furthermore, I have had the privilege of working with some of the leading spirits who have graduated from college. I have had satisfaction in knowing we're trying to train people who are going into all professions and who have been motivated by religion."



CANVASSING THE CAMPUS

By PERLEY LEIGHTON



Dr. Carlson, secretary of the local chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, is greatly alarmed at the number of proposed members who are reluctant to join the chapter. The reason—some of the potential Phi Betes take psychology, and discovered the following paragraph in a chapter of one of their textbooks on mental hygiene in colleges:

"A graduate investigated the careers of his classmates a generation after leaving the institution. Of one quarter he knew practically nothing, so he left them out of the investigation. Of the three quarters whose careers he had been able to follow in detail he discovered that about forty per cent had since graduation shown signs of neurotic, psychoneurotic, and even psychotic difficulties. Among this number were two-thirds of those who were admitted to Phi Beta Kappa, and this group included also the most serious cases of mental and nervous diseases." [No kidding—we're really worried! Ed.]

Have you heard of the student, clever only on the football field, who passed in a blue book with this note on the last page "Dear Prof.—If you sell any of those answers as classroom boners, I expect you to split 50-50 with me."

"Meet the Faculty" hasn't been able to use cuts of the faculty members because the Oracle is using them. Those pictures must bring back pleasant memories to many professors—their courting days, their first straight razors, or even the first pair of long trousers. The pictures are one of Colby's traditions—they have always been used, so why make new ones. Are they here to stay?

Good news for any scholarly reader who chances to wade through this column, Professor Weber's edition of Hardy's *Far from the Madding*

Crowd still remains the first correct edition in the twentieth century! For two days, it seemed that an edition owned by Harriet Rex would destroy six years of difficult research, but now we're glad to say that everything is all right again.

WARNING! The White Mule will be out Colby Week-End. Don't say we didn't warn you. And we'll give you two to one odds that they mention the start of the grassing season.

Every afternoon these warm, spring days students fill Thayer Hospital during sick call. Isn't it unfortunate that so many should be ill and unable to enjoy this sunny weather?

Betty Royal Elected Chi Omega President

The following officers have been elected for the coming year for Chi Omega sorority. President, Betty Anne Royal; vice president, Betty Bartor; treasurer, Olive Monell; secretary, Martha Ann Rogers; pledge trainer, Dorris Hoeney; chapter correspondent, Patricia Powers; Panhellenic representative, Kathleen Menaghan; co-rushing chairman, Ruby Lott and Anne Foster.

Installation is being held Wednesday night.

Financial Committee Explained To Freshmen

Professor Eustis was the speaker at Freshman Assembly of April 10. The subject of his discourse was the committee on financial aid. Professor Eustis explained how members are elected to the committee, and of whom the committee consists.

He stated that all applications are carefully considered, and awards are made to those most in need.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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hour exam marks.

Another advantage arising from our petition might be this. Supposing twenty years from now a member of the class of 1941 who was fortunate enough to be exempted from his two finals coming the last week of his exams reads this announcement in his newspaper: "President of Colby College announces that the class of 1961 will be the first class to graduate from Mayflower Hill. Immediately, this former student who has, of course, by now become a prominent, successful business man, will recall his last week at Colby before graduation—the delicious freedom from exams, an opportunity to rest and relax, to really enjoy and appreciate the beauty of Colby in the Spring. He will at once commission his secretary to make out a magnanimous check to further improvements at Mayflower Hill.

Seriously, we hope the faculty will reconsider our petition.

—M. R.

To the Editor:

The ECHO for this evening (April 9) contains two letters by students which attack members of the faculty. I think these attacks are justified. I would like to drop my oar into the sea.

May I present college: an imperfect institution. For nearly a month now I have been trying to console myself that "It doesn't matter. You can't help it if college is imperfect."

But I'd like to try before I give up. Let's look at Colby. Students, how many of your professors lecture in their "beards" so that you can't hear, drone so that your interest is squashed? And do you know Colby's infamous "book-lecturer" who spends his class period reading verbatim the material you covered the night before? Is he an "educational counselor?" Then in the language department we have our Perfectionist. Relentlessly he goads

his class to a mark which only the better students can possibly attain. I say he discourages initiative. He's ruined his subject forever for me and others.

How many professors "figure out" their students in September? And put them in mark-cubbyholes from which they never escape? Perhaps we'll never know. But it looks suspicious when the same students get exactly the same mark repeatedly.

Is your ambition encouraged when you know that your final will be a four-hour exam? The period allowed is three isn't it?

How childish is a professor who considers it a personal affront if you cut his classes... and shows it? Poor boy, he's miffed. A few weeks ago a foolish Colby student told a professor that his course was a "pipe"... so the professor has made the class suffer. It looks like we're blessed with another adult.

I don't have to look very hard to see cribbing rampant about me. Tolerated cribbing. And I know well an earnest, conscientious student—perhaps the most honest, in Colby—who was "caught" cribbing and flunked. Circumstantial evidence. There are a few things that we think we "know." I "know" this student wasn't cribbing, but a bull-headed prof—I can't dignify him—had his own notions. Those of us who are familiar with the case are acquainted with this prof's notoriety along this line.

Maybe professors can say "We're doing our best to be fair, but this is only one individual," whenever they have to pass unpleasant judgment on a student. In the writer's opinion, the individual cannot get too much attention... on the other hand, we all know how such an ideal condition can be abused.

College is an "imperfect institution"... sometimes mockery. The very fact that I cannot in fairness to myself, sign this letter (and I would like to) supports this statement.

Sincerely yours,

—Unhappy.

Women's Tournaments Are In Full Swing

The annual Women's Athletic Association tournaments are on full swing. The physical education department is busier than ever jotting down scores, signing people up, and keeping the "pinneys" in tact!

Halfway toward the finish line in badminton doubles are found the following couples: Mary Robinson and Geraldine Stefko; Marjorie McDougal and Madeleine Hinckley; Muriel McLellan and Hilda Nicholf.

The basketball teams are slowly being eliminated. The teams left in the running are those of Sue Rose, Nancy Grahn, Virginia Mosher, and Betty Ann Royal. The two winners of these groups will be the finalists and compete for the honors.

On the volleyball court, Theodora Wright and Ruth Stebbins are battling for the laurels of victory. Both teams are undefeated and meet in the final fray on Wednesday, April 16.

The badminton singles seem to have more contestants than usual. Because of this many are still left in the contests.

Those who are dashing ahead in these contests are Mary Robinson, Theodora Wright, Eleanor Furbush, Eleanor Smart, Geraldine Stefko, Jane Russell, Anne Gwynn, Betty Royal, Louise Callahan, and Norma Marr.

The ping-pong finals will be conducted before the nineteenth of this month. Eliminations will be fast and furious during the next few days.

There are, however, many out in front at the present time. The following are left in competition for the final honors: Anne Foster, Phyllis Cole, Shirley Ellice, Miriam Taleisnick, Elaine Johnson, Jane Russell, Harriet Rex, Virginia Hall, and Betty Royal.

Elaine Anderson and Barbara Grant share honors for being foremost in the shuffle-board tournament.

WORLD NEEDS LAUGHS

For those who will insist that Charlie Chaplin is trying to get over a "message of significance" in his new picture "The Great Dictator," which patrons will see at the State Theatre, beginning on Sunday, one but has to read down the roster of names in the cast to find not only such funsters as Reginald Gardiner, Jack Onkie, Billy Gilbert, but such old favorites like Hank Mann, Leo White, Eddie Gribbon, Chester Conklin and others well known to movie fans.

It is true that in this picture Charlie has more plot than is his custom. But he is not sacrificing the inimitable pantomime and laughs for which he has gained a world-wide reputation. As "Modern Times" delicately satirized the machine age, so "The Great Dictator" will deal with present day affairs, and in such an infectious way that even the diehards will have to give in and chuckle.

Charlie believes that the world today needs laughter. Since the serious trend world conditions have taken, he has been besieged with requests to re-issue "Shoulder Arms" which many a soldier in the World War often said gave him courage to go on

Songs By Soprano Heard In Assembly

The women's assembly on Monday, April 14, 1941, featured songs rendered by a Waterville girl, Miss Germaine Poulin, soprano. Miss Poulin is well known for her charming presentations of French arias. Her accompanist for the program was Miss Lorette Rancourt.

The first song of Miss Poulin's was Shuman's "Mondacht," and this was followed by "Les Filles de Cadiz," by Delibes. The aria from Rossini's "The Barber of Seville," "Una Voce Poco Fa," was next sung by Miss Poulin.

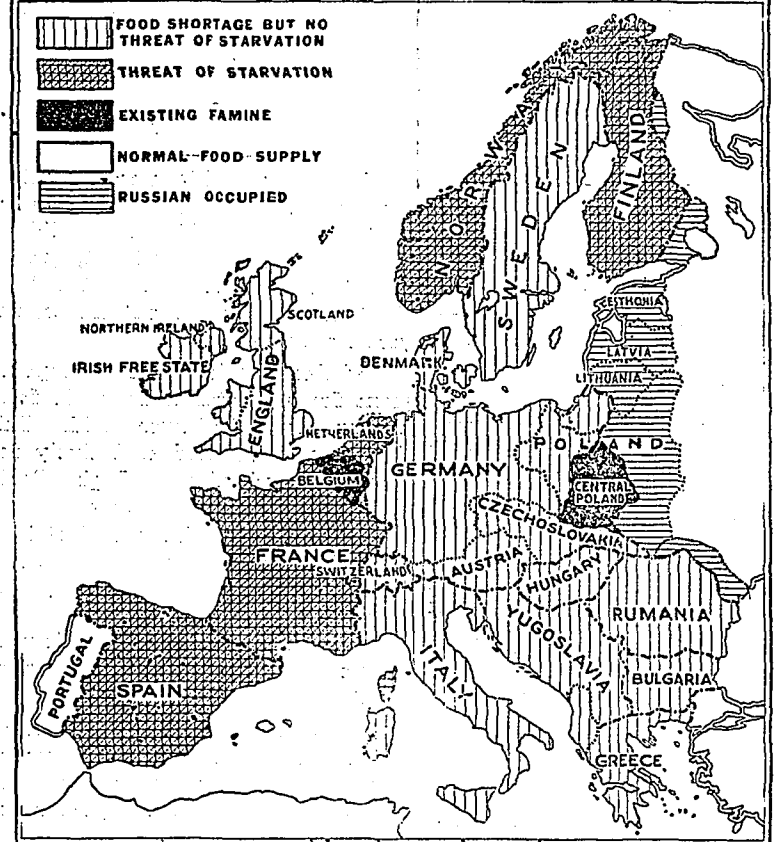
Appreciative applause was followed by two encores by Miss Poulin, Woodman's "A Birthday," and Pourdrain's "Le Papillon."

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Charlie's answer was not "Shoulder Arms" but "The Great Dictator." People complain these days about their movie fare, rebelling against stories of futility, heartache, disappointment, frustration. Charlie is remedying all this in "The Great Dictator," and anyone who sees the noted comedian's latest comedy will be certain to leave the theatre refreshed by the memory of an evening of hilarious fun such as only the genius of Chaplin can produce.—Adv.

Food Map of Europe as of Today



The starvation areas of Europe can be seen at a glance, above. This map will now darken from month to month as, in many countries, the last remaining food stocks reach exhaustion.

New York (Special) — All Europe is on short rations. Only tiny Portugal still commands a normal food supply. Before the first of the next harvests can be reaped, five months must elapse. In some countries, remaining food stocks will have been exhausted long before, when conditions of slow starvation which already exist will become actual famine. Moreover, in several European countries the harvest covers only a few months consumption.

The above map has been drawn to bring the threatened areas into relief. As may be seen at a glance, the British Isles, Germany, Italy and the Balkans, although all on rations, are not in danger. But the little, western democracies, always dependent on overseas supplies and now cut off by the blockade, are already on a semi-starvation basis.

Darkest, immediate spots in the picture are Belgium and Poland (the latter because of war devastation and partitioning). Here, actual famine already prevails. People are dying of sheer hunger. But Spain, France, Holland, Nor-

way and Finland are not far behind. The above map will now darken quickly from month to month. The terrible food emergency in Europe, so long forecast by food experts, is now but a step away.

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Math Important For Defense

Aid In Deciphering Code, Says Morse

In 1914, Marston Morse was graduated from Colby College. Last January he was elected President of the American Mathematical Society. He is also a professor at the Institute for Advanced Study at Princeton, N. J., and a member of the Board of Trustees of Colby College.

Professor Morse, in a recent interview, urged that mathematics be added to battleships, airplanes, tanks, and machine guns among the items required for national defense. A mathematician, bending over a pad of paper in the quiet of his study, may make a major contribution to military supremacy. Both U. S. Army and Navy maintain a staff of mathematicians working steadily on problems of anti-aircraft fire, bomb-sighting, etc.

Many problems in aeronautics not solvable by experiment, must be handled by mathematicians. There is much military labor involved in a plane requiring mathematics.

Mathematics also is used in making and deciphering codes. Another field is statistics.

Professor Morse has recommended the appointment of a staff of mathematical consultants in each branch of mathematics, useful in military science, rearmament, or industrial mobilization.

Draft Might Cause Drop In Enrollment

Expect Large Increase In Women's Division

"At this time," Registrar Warren told an ECHO reporter this week, "it is impossible to say what effect the draft and other features of national defense will have on next year's registration." He said that the questionnaires to prospective freshmen should give some information, but not until later this year.

He then went on to show that the present state of the nation would have a greater effect on registration than ordinarily realized. It is well known that many now in college will be drafted this summer, as well as those graduating this year. But this, Professor Warren pointed out, will not be the only cause of a decrease in registration. Many students and prospective students will be attracted by high wages in defense industries, and will give up their advanced education, some permanently.

One interesting point, especially to the men undergraduates returning next year, is that the enrollment of girls will be increased as much as possible. Additional dormitory space will be found if necessary, to make rooms for this expected increase.

Colleges all over the nation, he hinted, will be making special efforts to attract new students, due to the draft and business expansion. No more definite statement can be made at this time, Professor Warren said, because nothing will be definite until all the applications are in.

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Powder And Wig Hears Reports Of Activities

Members Told Of Plan For New Campus Theatre

The Powder and Wig society held a meeting on Thursday, April 10 in the "Y" room of the Alumnae Building. John Hawes, past president, presided. The meeting was featured by short talks by the members on the year's activities.

Ned Porter told of the proposed plans for a theater to be made from a barn on Mayflower Hill. This theater will be used exclusively for dramatic productions. Hugh Beckwith described the plays presented by the S. C. A. Barbara Partridge told of the plan for the Bowdoin dramatic society to visit Colby this Spring and present three plays which are written by students. If this visit proves successful it will be an annual event.

Ann Jones described *Kind Lady* which is to be the commencement play. This is a melodrama in three acts which offers great opportunities for acting ability.

Claire Tilley and Louise Hagan each described the difficulties facing the property and costume committees in the various plays. Ray Burbank talked on the success of the only major production of the year to date, *Arms and the Man*.

Mary Farrell gave the list of characters in *The Long Christmas Dinner* and briefly described the play.

Beatrice Kennedy told of the comedy *The Pot Boilers* which was directed by herself and Barbara Partridge. Lewis Weeks concluded the talks with a brief description of *Evening Dress Indispensable*.

Saul Millstein, business manager of Powder and Wig, read the financial report. One of the biggest expenditures of the year was the black cyclorama which cost Powder and Wig forty dollars.

Following Mr. Millstein's report, Winnifred Odlin, past secretary, read the names of those who gained full membership in Powder and Wig this year. Those who received certificates of membership are as follows: Harris Graf, Bernice Knight, Edgar Martin, Joanna MacMurtry, Hannah Putnam, Louise Callahan, Norma Marr, Pauline Lander, Harold Paul, Thomas Huse, Perley Leighton, Leonard Caust, Joan Illingworth, Lewis Weeks, Ray Burbank, Diane Ferris, Ann Jones, John Daggett, Bob LaFleur, Edward Quarrington, Henry Davidson, Lorraine DosIsles, Helen Bradshaw, Barbara Kaighn, Amy Lewis, Hugh Beckwith, Helen Belyea, Marilyn Bragdon, Mary Farrell, Eleanor Mitchell, Claire Tilley, Louise Hagan, Helen Sanbar, and Mary

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Arts Club Hears Dr. Larrabee

English Professor Speaks On "Byron And Greek Sculpture"

The Arts Club presented Dr. Stephen Larrabee of the English department as guest speaker at their meeting, April 11, in the Alumnae Building. Before the regular meeting, refreshments were served. President Edgar Martin conducted a short business meeting after which Dr. Larrabee, new member of the Colby English department, spoke on "Byron and Greek Sculpture."

Dr. Larrabee illustrated, by use of various selections of poetry, Byron's knowledge of sculpture which Byron himself disclaimed. Of the two Greek schools of sculpture, Byron praised the Hellenistic and rebuked the Elgian. Dr. Larrabee showed a number of pictures of the two types of sculpture, of which the Elgian marbles were said to be nearer to nature and the Hellenistic more ideal. Byron's favorite pieces were the Apollo and Venus de Medici. Byron wrote seriously and humorously about sculpture, and, according to Dr. Larrabee,

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"the real Byron is a mixture of both the serious and the farcical." Byron's poetry expressed the search for the "beau ideal" in beauty.

Following the talk there were questions and general discussion by the group.

HARDY BOOKS

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purchased along with others in Miss Owen's library late in 1938, but were misplaced when the books were packed for shipment and sale on the auction block in London. A further complication occurred when Miss Owen died three months after the sale.

The collection arrived early in 1939; and, following the discovery of the omissions, efforts were exerted to obtain the missing items. With the passage of these volumes through the blockade, this has been partially accomplished.

These works are autographed by Mr. Hardy and plentifully equipped with the characteristic Owen notes. It is fortunate that such treasures have survived the ravages of a bombed city and the peril of the ocean crossing.

The file of first editions of Maine authors has also been notably augmented, by gift and by purchase, with the addition of works by Sarah Orne Jewett, Edna St. Vincent Millay, and Kenneth Roberts.

Another article currently acquired by the library is the "Quadruped," a

chair about which Herman Hagedorn has written in his biography of Edwin Arlington Robinson. This chair was occupied by Mr. Robinson at the meetings of the Gardiner Club. It is a present from L. W. Robbins, Colby, 1889.

This constant progress in the library has made it a much different place from what it was when Ralph Waldo Emerson visited our campus in August, 1841, almost one hundred years ago.

COLBY TO BE HOST

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At twelve noon, President Johnson will welcome the delegates at a luncheon where they will be guests of Colby. The afternoon program commences at one-fifteen with three groups discussions: Student Housing and Feeding; Financial and Purchasing; and Maintenance and Improvements. The meeting will be brought to a close in a general meeting at two-thirty, at which time Educational Buyers Association contracts, price trends, college enrollments, and other related problems will be discussed. With the end of this general meeting, the Association will adjourn for another year.

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